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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

MAIL STOP: FEE AMENDMENT Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 RECEIVED

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is in response to an Office Action dated September 26, 2003, Paper No. 16. Applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time within which to respond to the outstanding Office Action. Granting the petition would extend the time for filing the Response to February 26, 2004. The appropriate petition fee of \$420 is enclosed herewith. Please amend the present application consistent with the instructions found attached hereto: